

**FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
SEVENTH CIRCUIT BAR ASSOCIATION AND JUDICIAL CONFERENCE:**

TECHNOLOGY AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

**The Drake Hotel
April 30-May 2, 2000**

AGENDA

Sunday, April 30, 2000

Registration. The Association will have a special registration table available for members and their guests at the French Foyer of the Drake Hotel from 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Opening Reception at the Chicago Historical Society. The conference will begin with a reception for judges, members and guests at the Chicago Historical Society. Cocktails and hearty hors d'oeuvres will be served.

Two major exhibits will be open for viewing during the first 90 minutes of the reception: "Treasures from Mount Vernon: George Washington Revealed" brings Americans closer to the flesh-and-blood reality of a man who is much admired but little known. The exhibit features original portraits, letters and personal possessions of George Washington and those closest to him, including the sword that hung at his side during his inauguration and correspondence with his wife Martha. "Norman Rockwell: Pictures for the American People," the first major Norman Rockwell exhibition in thirty years, features paintings and Saturday Evening Post covers. It underscores Rockwell's facility in creating images for the mass media and demonstrate his impressive skill as a draftsman and painter.

A continuous trolley shuttle will run between the Oak Street entrance to the Drake Hotel and the Chicago Historical Society beginning at 6:15 p.m. For those driving to the Historical Society, parking will be available in the Society's parking lot.

Monday, May 1, 2000

General Session. Monday morning's general session in the Grand Ballroom at the Drake Hotel will begin with a keynote address by Professor Lawrence Lessig of Harvard University School of Law. Following his address, Judge Barbara B. Crabb will preside over a mock trial which will illustrate the use of cutting edge technology at trial. Judge Frank H. Easterbrook will then moderate a panel discussion on the future of technology in the courts; panel members include Judge David H. Coar, Circuit Clerk Gino Agnello, attorney William McKay of Wilkie, Farr & Gallagher and Prof. Lessig.

Annual Luncheon. Chief Judge Richard A. Posner will kick off the annual luncheon by delivering the State of the Judiciary Address. He will be followed by our main speaker, Judge Ann C. Williams, who will give her perspective on technology in the courts.

Judge Williams Portrait Presentation. Immediately after the luncheon, Judge Williams' Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals portrait will be presented.

Afternoon Breakout Sessions. Association members and judges will divide into three breakout groups to discuss the following topics:

Bankruptcy. Bankruptcy judges and practitioners will analyze new developments in the bankruptcy law.

Criminal. All of the United States Attorneys in the circuit will discuss current issues.

Civil. Our civil panel will focus on the issue of court appointed experts and will include Judge Sam Pointer, who appointed a court expert in the silicone breast implant litigation, as well as Judges Joan B. Gottschall and Robert W. Gettleman.

Architecture River Cruise. Meanwhile, spouses can enjoy the Chicago Architectural Foundation's Architecture River Cruise. The cruise, which lasts 1½ hours, spotlights historic and architecturally significant sites and offers a unique perspective on the city. The tour leaves at 3:00 p.m. from Chicago's First Lady Dock, located at the southwest corner of the Michigan Avenue Bridge at Wacker Drive.

Annual Dinner. The Association's annual dinner, to be held in the Gold Coast Room of the Drake Hotel, will feature comments by Circuit Justice John Paul Stevens. Seth P. Waxman, the Solicitor General of the United States, will deliver the main address.

Tuesday, May 2, 2000

Breakfast for Newer Lawyers. The fifth annual breakfast, offered for lawyers admitted to the bar in the last ten years, will be held in the French Room at the Drake Hotel. Chief Judge Posner, Association President Duane Kelley, and a number of judges from throughout the circuit are expected to attend.

General Session. Tuesday morning will begin with the annual report of the Clerk of the Court of Appeals, Gino Agnello. Laura Briggs, Clerk of the Southern District of Indiana will demonstrate on-line filing, scheduled to begin in that district in November 2000. Their reports will be followed by a panel discussion of discovery issues relating to the use of technology. David Hambourger, Winston & Strawn's Director of Practice Support and former ABA Director of the Legal Technology Resource Center, will moderate. Other panelists include Judge James B. Zagel and William Freivogel of Attorneys Liability Assurance Society.

Breakout Sessions. Tuesday morning's breakout sessions offer practitioners a chance to talk to the judges from their jurisdiction about local practices and procedures. Please plan to attend one of the following:

Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals

Northern District of Illinois

Central and Southern Districts of Illinois

Indiana District Courts

Wisconsin District Courts

Bankruptcy Courts

To make these "Talk To The Judges" panel discussions more informative, we are soliciting questions that you would like to ask judges in your district. Please send us your questions along with the name of the district in which you practice to:

Jack Crowe
Winston & Strawn
35 West Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60601

or e-mail your questions to jcrowe@winston.com.

Business Luncheon. The Board of Governors and Committee Chairs of the Seventh Circuit Bar Association will hold a business meeting and luncheon at noon in the Venetian Room at the Drake Hotel.

Registration. Please register for these activities by returning the enclosed registration form. If possible, we ask that you register by April 7, 2000. If you require assistance in making arrangements to attend the conference, please call Peggy Nardi at 312/558-5602. Look for more information soon on the Court of Appeals website at www.ca7.uscourts.gov.

DIRECTIONS AND PARKING INFORMATION

Directions to the Drake Hotel:

From Wisconsin and the North/Northwest - Follow I-90/94 East "To Chicago". Exit at Ohio Street (one-way Eastbound). Follow Ohio Street 3/4 mile to Michigan Avenue. Turn left (North) on Michigan. Go eight blocks North; turn right at Delaware Street. Take first two left turns to circle the block and you will arrive at the main Walton Street entrance.

From Indiana and the East - Follow I-90/94 West "To Chicago" (Dan Ryan Expressway). Exit at Ohio Street (one-way Eastbound). Follow Ohio Street 3/4 mile to Michigan Avenue. Turn left (North) on Michigan. Go eight blocks North; turn right at Delaware Street. Take first two left turns to circle the block and you will arrive at the main Walton Street entrance.

From the West - Follow I-88 East to I-290 East "To Chicago" (Eisenhower Expressway). In downtown Chicago, I-290 becomes the Congress Parkway. Cross Michigan Avenue but take the first left, which curves around to Northbound Michigan Avenue. Go North on Michigan Avenue two miles and turn right on Delaware Street. Take first two left turns to circle the block and you will arrive at the main Walton Street entrance.

From the South/Southwest - Follow I-55 (Stevenson Expressway) or I-57 North to I-94 West "To Chicago". Exit I-94 at Ohio Street (one-way Eastbound). Follow Ohio Street 3/4 mile to Michigan Avenue. Turn left (North) on Michigan. Go eight blocks North; turn right at Delaware Street. Take first two left turns to circle the block and you will arrive at the main Walton Street entrance.

Parking at the Drake Hotel - Valet parking is available at the Walton Street entrance to the Drake Hotel for \$28.00 for 24 hours. A self-parking lot is available on Walton Street just west of Michigan Avenue for \$18.50 for 24 hours.

Directions to the Chicago Historical Society:

From the North - Take the Kennedy (I-90/94) to the North Avenue exit. Travel East on North Avenue two miles to Clark Street.

From the West - Take the Eisenhower Expressway (I-290) to the Kennedy (I-90/94). Take the Kennedy to North Avenue exit. Travel East on North Avenue two miles to Clark Street.

From the South - Take the Dan Ryan (I-90/94) to the Kennedy (I-90/94). Take the Kennedy to the North Avenue exit. Travel East on North Avenue two miles to Clark Street. OR take the Dan Ryan (I-90/94) to the Stevenson (I-55). Take the Stevenson to Lake Shore Drive. Travel North on Lake Shore Drive to the North Avenue exit. Travel West on North Avenue/LaSalle two blocks to Clark Street.

Parking at the Chicago Historical Society: Self-parking is available at the Chicago Historical Society's parking facility at the corner of LaSalle and Clark Street. The entrance to the facility is on Stockton Drive. This secure, well-lit parking facility is open 24 hours. Please have your tickets validated at the Society's front desk. The validated parking rate is \$5.00 per vehicle.

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